



Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Jackson, Minnesota
“Bringing Jesus to Jackson”
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 5, 2021

Welcome to this Divine Service. We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Please sign the attendance card in pew and place in offering plate.

Communion Policy: In the Lord’s Supper, the Risen Christ gives us His true Body & Blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. As we participate in the Lord’s Supper we declare doctrinal unity. Therefore we ask guests who are not members of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church to speak with Pastor before communing with us.



Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Hymn “Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear” **908**

Confession and Absolution **203**

Introit **Ps. 28:1-2, 6-7; antiphon: Ps. 28:8**

P The LORD is the strength of his people;

C he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

P To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,

C lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.

P Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,

C when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

P Blessèd be the LORD!

C For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

P The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

C my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**

**As it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P The LORD is the strength of his people;

C he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 35:4–7a ESV

- ⁴ Say to those who have an anxious heart,
“Be strong; fear not!
Behold, your God
will come with vengeance,
with the recompense of God.
He will come and save you.”
- ⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
- ⁶ then shall the lame man leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.
For waters break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
- ⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.

P Fear the LORD, you his saints,

C for those who fear him lack nothing!

P Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Epistle

James 2:1–10, 14–18 ESV

¹My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ²For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, “You sit here in a good place,” while you say to the poor man, “You stand over there,” or, “Sit down at my feet,” ⁴have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those

who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶ But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷ Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

⁸ If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. ⁹ But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰ For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it. . . .

¹⁴ What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵ If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶ and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? ¹⁷ So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

¹⁸ But someone will say, “You have faith and I have works.” Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

[P] This is the Word of the Lord. **[C]** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

St. Mark 7:31–37 ESV

[P] The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

[C] Glory to You, O Lord.

³¹ [Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³² And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³ And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴ And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵ And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶ And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷ And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

[P] This is the Gospel of the Lord. **[C]** Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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James 2:1–10, 14–18

Prayer of the Church

Darlene Sebbby, Dean Schentzel, Richard Polz, Gerald Mead (Lori Milbrath's uncle), Jane Henning, Heather Muir (Mary Muir's stepdaughter), Corlene Hansen, Rose Baerg (Mark Oeltjenbruns's aunt), Ron Kloos, Spencer Heser, Barney Olson, Delbert Milbrath (Steve Milbrath's uncle), Travus Mekosch, Kim Nesmoe.

Petitions conclude:

P . . . let us pray to the Lord: **C** Lord, have mercy.

Final petition:

P All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C Amen.

Offering

Service of the Sacrament 208-212

Distribution Hymns 621, 609

Closing Hymn “God Bless Our Native Land” **965**

Postlude



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